

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims (with brackets indicating deletions and underlining indicating additions) will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Withdrawn) This product is a non-mechanical accessory whose purpose is to prevent a surfboard leash from unraveling while it is wrapped around a surfboard when out of the water.

2. (Withdrawn) This product does not affect the performance of the leash when out of storage position.
3. (Withdrawn) This product is attached and removable by a tab/hinge configuration.
4. (Withdrawn) This product is deliberately designed to be completely unobtrusive while the leash is out of the storage position.
5. (Withdrawn) The use of this product is not limited to surfboard leashes. This product may also be used on any type of power cord, extension cord or rope.
6. (New) A clip for a surfboard leash comprising:
 - an elongate body having two halves with edges attached together by a hinge portion and sized to receive the surfboard leash between the two halves, the two halves opposite the hinge portion having a locking tab for securing the two halves together when the hinge is in a closed position, the two halves in the closed position forming a pair of opposing ends that tightly grip the leash preventing slippage relative the elongate body;
 - an elongate outer sleeve portion generally C shaped and sized to receive in an interference fit and retain the surfboard leash without movement relative the outer sleeve portion, whereby the body of the clip may be installed on a first portion of the leash and

the leash wrapped around the board and a the outer sleeve used to engage a second portion of the leash thereby preventing the leash from unraveling.

7. (New) The clip for a surfboard leash of claim 6 wherein the clip is one piece and made of injection-molded plastic.

8. (New) The clip for a surfboard leash of claim 7 wherein the body is generally cylindrically shaped.

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